



Howard County

Internal Memorandum

Subject: Testimony for Council Bill No. _____, 2008
Regulating Multi-Use Sewerage Systems

To: Lonnie R. Robbins
Chief Administrative Officer

From: James M. Irvin, Director 
Department of Public Works

Date: May 21, 2008

The Department of Public Works supports Council Bill No. _____ and recommends that the Council adopt this legislation. The purpose of the legislation is to increase the oversight and regulation of Multi-Use Sewerage Systems. The bill will authorize the Department of Public Works to regulate the design, construction, and successful startup and operation of the systems.

This legislation implements recently passed State legislation which authorized the County to regulate Multi-Use Sewerage Systems. The legislation is structured to provide similar oversight to the current County Code language for Multi-Use Sewerage Systems with the exception of the County having operational responsibility.

The bill also authorizes the Department of Public Works to review annually the financial management plans for the system's owner and the permit compliance of the sewerage system operation.

If you require any further information or have any questions, please call me on extension 4401.

cc: Jennifer Sager